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MEMORANDUM FOR: Chief, Arms Control Intelligence Staff

FROM : Deputy Director of Central Intelligence

SUBJECT : Intelligence Input into the Verification Process

1. In the meeting last night with Bub McFarlane I evidenced our concern regarding developments in the verification process. I spoke of the historic struggles between intelligence and ACDA, during which ACDA has been prone to seek raw intelligence and do its own analysis as to what it means. I expressed my concern that history seemed to be repeating itself with the publication of NSDD-65 without prior coordination with the Agency, which rang our bell. McFarlane was most emphatic in saying that he would look to the Agency to provide the intelligence assessments necessary for verification and that there was no intention whatsoever of precluding a strong intelligence input. In fact, he extended an invitation to us to help shape the procedures for implementing NSDD-65.

2. McFarlane assured us that there was no intention of doing anything other than having a full, free intelligence input into the entire process. He was quite eager that we express ourselves in any manner on any subject and said that he would be looking for our independent assessments in the verification process.

  
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